

WEATHER FORECAST
Arkansas: Fair, little change in temperature this afternoon and tonight; lowest 14-18 in north, 18-24, in south portion; Tuesday fair, slightly warmer in afternoon.

House Group

Levels Charges Against Russia

By ALEX H. SINGLETON
Washington, Dec. 30 — (AP) Charges of economic enslavement, political terrorism, religious persecution, broken promises and a

The committee report — the sharpest official criticism of Russia on Capitol Hill since the Soviet Union went to war with Germany — demanded that the United States assume "positive leadership" in Russian economic affairs.

Simultaneously it asserted that if Russia actually is found to be using German war plants to arm the Western Allies should announce the entire Potsdam Three agreement and demand of the Soviets "evacuate German

First reaction to the committee's document came in the form of a protest against "head-hunters" by Rep. Sol Bloom (N.Y.), retiring chairman of the House Foreign Affairs Committee. Bloom told reporters the committee should have submitted its findings, "if it has any," to the State and War Departments for investigation. He contended the report would do "far more harm than good" in current diplomatic negotiations. The State Department declined any immediate comment. The unanimous committee re-

commendations, among them:

1. A review of the financial aspects of American occupation policy in order to substitute a more constructive and self-supporting economic policy in the enemy countries.
2. Loans to American occupation authorities through the export bank to start the flow of production.
3. An inquiry into restrictions on the movement of American businessmen, and into the methods

4. A specific study of the effect of the "trade recommendations" with respect to the abuse of trading practices particularly the state monopolies of nations are not members" of the world bank, monetary fund or similar international organizations.

Top Leaders Try to Stop Dissention

Today of their right to now.

In advance of the meeting, 2 told reporters that a rule adopted by the Republican conference organization of Senate G. (members) on Dec. 15, 1944, makes approving any committee assignments until after Congress actually convenes.

He took notice of statements by members of the outgoing Republican committee on committees that they were merely making recommendations to the full group.

Tobey called this committee "runty" group, but declared: "Any" charge of intolerance. "And" that those accusations do not know that those accusations will gather like forest snowball is just kidding him."

Tobey's attitude and a big Senator Reed of Kansas for Commerce Committee chairman — tentatively assigned leadership to Senator White of Missouri — raised the prospect of a row in the G. O. P. meeting.

Senator Butler (R-Nebr.) pro-

The Senate Republicans, who met in a party conference of their 51 members today (p.m. CST), were not alone, however, in their preoccupation with the organization controversies.

House Republicans will meet Thursday to decide a four-week timetable for the majority floor leadership under the general direction of

expected to be chosen spite without party opposition. Wrapped up in the lead fight are some of the ambitious various potential GOP presidential candidates in 1948.

Rep. Halleck of Indiana, with the public backing of Gov. T. E. Dewey of New York, apparently holds an edge over Clarence Brown of Ohio, generally regarded as backed by the forces, and Reps. Jenkins and Dirksen of Illinois.

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